

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

MINES & MINERALS – Mining Lease for Semi Precious stones over an extent of 18.90 Acres in Sy. No.32 of Turaiguda (V), Arakuvalli (M), Visakhapatnam District held by M/s. A.P. Scheduled Tribes Co-Operative Finance Corporation Limited (TRICOR) – Declared as lapsed under rule 28 (1) of M.C Rules, 1960 - Orders – Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.185

Dated: 19.11.2014

Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.200, Ind & Com (M-III) Dept., dt.02.07.2003.
2. From the DM&G., file bearing No.27830/R1-2/2010, Dt:09.12.2013.
3. Govt. Memo No.18635/M.III(2)/2013-1, Dt: 22.10.2014.

O R D E R :

In the reference first read above, Government have granted a Mining Lease for Semi Precious stones over an extent of 18.90 Acres in Sy. No.32 of Turaiguda (V), Arakuvalli (M), Visakhapatnam District a period of (20) years in favour of M/s. A.P. Scheduled Tribes Co-Operative Finance Corporation Limited and the Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Visakhapatnam executed the lease on 22.12.2004.

2. In the reference second read above, the Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad has submitted proposals for lapsing the held by M/s. A.P. Scheduled Tribes Co-Operative Finance Corporation Limited (TRICOR) under rule 28(1) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 on the following grounds, for consideration of the Government:

1. The lessee has failed to pay the mineral Revenue Dues of Rs.51,066/- upto 31.03.2010 and Advance Dead Rent of Rs.22,955/- for the year 2010—2011 which is a breach as per rule 45 (iv) of APMMC Rules, 1960.
2. The lessee has discontinued mining operations for a period of exceeding 2 years which is a breach of Rule 28-A(1) of MC Rules, 1960.
3. The lessee has failed to submit the monthly returns in Form F-7 and annual returns in Form H-7, which is a breach under rule 45 of MCDR Rules, 1988.
4. The lessee has failed to furnish the clearance from the A.P. Pollution control Board even though informed vide Lr.No.4966/M/2000, dt:24.01.2007 by the ADMG, Visakhapatnam.

3. Government after considering the report of the Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad, it was proposed to lapse the above mining lease held by M/s. A.P. Scheduled Tribes Co-Operative Finance Corporation Limited (TRICOR) and accordingly, a show cause notice was issued in the reference 3rd read above under rule 28 (1) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 as to why the Mining Lease held by them shall not be declared as lapsed, and submit their explanation/ representation within 15 days failing which it will be construed that they have no explanation/ representation on the action proposed and further action will be taken on the material available with the Government.

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4. It should be noted in this regard that mineral wealth is the wealth of the nation and should be put to use for public good. Government gave mining lease so that the lessee could do mining scientifically within the prescribed time limits and use the mined mineral. Such a mine would generate revenue for the State by way of taxes, employment for the local people and give boost to the overall economy of the region besides industrializing the area. None of these objectives could be achieved due to the abject failure of the lessee.

5. Government after careful consideration of the matter have decided to declare the Mining Lease held by M/s. A.P. Scheduled Tribes Co-Operative Finance Corporation Limited (TRICOR) for Semi Precious stones over an extent of 18.90 Acres in Sy. No.32 of Turaiguda (V), Arakuvalli (M), Visakhapatnam District, as lapsed under Rule 28(1) of M.C Rules, 1960, as the lessee has failed to fulfill the lease conditions.

6. The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

[BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH]

J.V.S. PRASAD
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
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The Director of Mines & Geology, Govt. A.P., Hyderabad.(with connected file)
Copy to:
The Zonal Joint Director of Mines & Geology), Visakhapatnam.
The Deputy Director of Mines & Geology, Visakhapatnam.
The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Visakhapatnam.
The District Collector, Visakhapatnam.
The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Mines, Sastry Bhavan, New Delhi-110001.
The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Indira Bavan, Civil Lines, Nagpur.440001.
The Director General, Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Jarkand.
The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.
SF/SCs.(C.No.18635/M.II(1)/2013).

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SECTION OFFICER